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## **Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

## **Listing of claims:**

- 1. (Currently Amended) An anti-fouling composition comprising
- (i) a surface coating material;
- (ii) <u>a first enzyme and</u> a first substrate, wherein the first substrate is selected from <u>an</u> <u>oligomer or a polymer oligomers and polymers</u> of <u>a second substrate</u> substrates, said second <u>substrate being a substrate</u> for <u>an</u> oxidative enzymes enzyme, and wherein first enzyme is <u>capable of generating said second substrate from said first substrate</u>; <u>and</u>
- (iii) a first enzyme;
- (iv) a second enzyme, wherein the second enzyme is an oxidase; and wherein said second enzyme generates an anti-fouling compound when acting on said second substrate wherein the first substrate and the first enzyme react to generate a second substrate, wherein the second substrate is selected from the group consisting of D-glucose, D-galactose, D-mannose, maltose, lactose and cellobiose, upon which the second enzyme acts, whereby an anti-foulant compound is generated which is long-acting.
- 2. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the second enzyme oxidase is from a marine algae.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the second enzyme oxidase is from Chondrus crispus.

Claims 4-8. (Cancelled)

- 9. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the first enzyme is amyloglucosidase.
- 10. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the first substrate is starch.

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11. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the composition

further comprises a binder to immobilise at least one of the constituents of the composition.

12. (Original) A coating consisting of a composition according to claim 1.

13. (Original) A coating according to claim 12 formulated for treatment of a surface selected

from outdoor wood work, external surface of a central heating system, and a hull of a marine

vessel.

14. (Previously Presented) A marine anti-foulant consisting of a composition according to

claim 1.

15. (Previously Presented) A marine anti-foulant according to claim 14 wherein the anti-

foulant is self-polishable.

Claims 16-31. (Cancelled)

32. (Cancelled-Currently Amended) The composition of claim 31, wherein the hexose

oxidase is from Chondrus crispus.

33. (Cancelled)

34. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim [[30]] 1, wherein the second substrate is a

sugar.

35. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 34, wherein the sugar is glucose.

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Cancelled)

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[[37]] 38. (Cancelled-Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the antifoulant acts for at least four weeks.

[[38]] 39. (Cancelled-Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the antifoulant acts for at least two years.

[[39]] 40. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the second enzyme oxidase is a hexose oxidase.

[[40]] 41. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is formulated as a coating, lacquer, stain or enamel.

[[41]] 42. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim [[12]] 1, wherein the coating materials are selected from composition further comprises a surface coating material selected from polyvinyl chloride resins in a solvent based system, chlorinated rubbers in a solvent based system, acrylic resins and methacrylate resins in solvent based or aqueous systems, viny chloride-vinyl acetate copolymer systems as aqueous dispersions or solvent based systems, butadiene copolymers such as butadiene-styrene rubbers, butadiene-acrylonitrile rubbers, and butadiene-styrene-acrylonitrile rubbers, drying oils such as linseed oil, alkyd resins, asphalt, epoxy resins, urethane resins, polyester resins, phenolic resins, derivatives and mixtures thereof.

- 43. (New) The composition of claim 40, wherein the hexose oxidase comprises the amino acid sequence set out in SEQ ID NO: 2.
- 44. (New) The composition of claim 40, wherein the hexose oxidase is obtained by cloning and expression in recombinant host organisms of a gene encoding the protein.
- 45. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the first substrate is water insoluble.

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46. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the first substrate is selected from the group consisting of starch, lactose, cellulose, dextrose, peptide, inulin and mixtures thereof.

- 47. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the oxidase is from a marine organism.
- 48. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the first enzyme and the second enzyme are incorporated in the surface coating material.
- 49. (New) A method for releasing an anti-fouling compound from a surface coating comprising incorporating in a surface coating:
- (i) a first enzyme and a first substrate, wherein said first substrate is an oligomer or a polymer of a second substrate, said second substrate being a substrate for an oxidase enzyme, and wherein said first enzyme generates said second substrate from said first substrate;
- (ii) a second enzyme, wherein said second enzyme is an oxidase and wherein the second enzyme generates an anti-fouling compound by acting on said second substrate.
- 50. (New) A method for treating a surface of a vessel comprising applying a coating material to the surface, the coating material comprising:
- (i) a first enzyme and a first substrate, wherein said first substrate is an oligomer or a polymer of a second substrate, said second substrate being a substrate for an oxidase enzyme, and wherein said first enzyme generates said second substrate from said first substrate; and
- (ii) a second enzyme, wherein said second enzyme is an oxidase and wherein the second enzyme generates an anti-fouling compound by acting on said second substrate.